



Planning Committee

Thursday, May 15, 2014 – 8:00 a.m.

University of Phoenix, Room 104
300 South Craycroft Road, Tucson, AZ

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present

Steve Banzhaf
Clayton Hamilton
Gregg Johnson
Beverly Price

Members Absent

Duane Bock
Suzanne Lawder
Pamela Sutherland
Michael Guymon

Pima County Staff and Guests Present

Charles Casey	Lorraine Morales
Anna M. Cunes	Stan Steinman
Diane Luber	Nils Urman

- I. Call to Order: 8:03 a.m., Gregg Johnson, Chair
- II. Action Item: Approve 03/20/14 Meeting Minutes. Clayton Hamilton moved to approve, Beverly Price seconded and all approved.
- III. Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Update – Charles Casey reported that there has been no movement or changes on the WIA. The current Plan expires 06/30/14. The new five year Plan will be effective 07/01/14. Pima County staff will conduct a ten minute “Plan” presentation via phone, to the Workforce Arizona Council (WAC).
- IV. Committee Leadership: Gregg Johnson announced nominees for upcoming committee chair vacancies and confirmed committee chairs who will continue to serve.
 - WIB Chair nominee Paul Roughton, 07/01/14 to 06/30/16.
 - 1st Vice-Chair, Planning Committee Chair nominee, Beverly Price, 07/01/14 to 06/30/16.

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- 2nd Vice-Chair, Performance and Accountability Committee Chair nominee Rose Capono, 07/01/14 to 06/30/15.
- Dorothy Kret will continue to serve as Board Development Chair.
- Vaughn Croft will continue to serve as Youth Council Chair.

V. Technology College Visit: Gregg Johnson reported on the site visit that he conducted in Utah. They do not grant degrees but they do grant credits. They do grant an RN License. Certificates can be obtained for welding, electrical, nursing, plumbing and machining. Once a student obtains a license, they are certified nationally. The colleges are named after the county they are in and strategically located near high schools. They offer self-paced programs to high school students and adults, and are state funded. Davis Applied Technology College (DATC) is located in Kaysville, Utah. They offer 32 programs and 800 courses for an array of certificate programs to pursue vocational training.

Steve Banzhaf asked if there are reports that prove that the colleges have been helping Utah attract and retain employers. Gregg Johnson replied that he did not look into that and mentioned that Utah is listed as one of the top locations for employment in the country, new businesses are attracted to the area and they have a well educated work force.

Gregg Johnson said that if Pima County had a technology college we may not have the issues with the skill trades that we currently have. Being open to the public, unlike JTED, and having low tuition and self-paced courses, is what makes the technology colleges attractive.

Clayton Hamilton commented that expanding JTED to help create a technology college, may not be possible, but it would be logical.

Beverly Price asked if high school dropouts can attend a technology college and Gregg Johnson replied "yes." Beverly Price said that Pima County should look into a technology college so Tucson's high school dropouts will have options.

VI. Sector Strategy Partnerships: Gregg Johnson reported on the Planning Committee Breakout Session during the May 9 WIB Retreat and the three items determined by participants. (1) In September 2014, there will be a "Sector Partnership Strategy" overview meeting. Lindsay Woosley will be invited along with Guy Gunther and key business leaders from sectors. We will educate them on Sector Strategy and how it can work for them. It will be a return on investment meeting to motivate them to want to participate. Industry champions will be determined prior to the meeting. Charles Casey will submit the formal request application to the Arizona Commerce Authority that will determine the date. (2) We want to emphasize health and bioscience and try to get new partnerships convened in that sector in October 2014. (3) We will begin working, looking and talking about the 2013-2014 Annual Report.

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Nils Urman commented that he attended the Southern Arizona Manufacturing Partners (SAMP) meeting on 05/14/14. SAMP is looking at their current workforce and they have aging workforce that needs to be replaced. Nils said we need to find “pain points” in the industry sectors.

Gregg Johnson suggested that a survey should be sent after the introduction meeting to healthcare and bioscience companies to find out what their “pain points” are.

Gregg Johnson asked Charles Casey and Nils Urman if a survey can be sent out to all the allied services related to health and bioscience. Charles Casey suggested that Gerri Brunson could send out a survey in the Summer of 2014. Gregg Johnson would like the survey available for review at the June 19 Planning Committee meeting.

VII. Next Meeting: June 19, 2014, 8:00 a.m., University of Phoenix

VIII. Adjournment: 9:03 a.m.

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